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FOR: COFFEE DRINK COMPOSITION :

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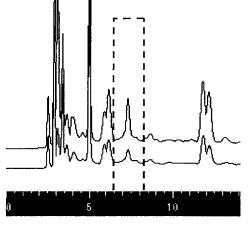
Now comes Mr. Hideo Ohminami who deposes and declares that:

- I am a graduate of Kyoto Pharmaccutical University and received my master's degree in the year 2001.
- 2. I have been employed by the Kao Corporation for the past 8 years, as a researcher in the field of organic chemistry.
 - 4. I am a named inventor of the above-identified application.
- 5. The following experiments were conducted by me or under my direct supervision and control.

10 g of ground Costa-Rican coffee beans (medium roasted, medium grind) were intimately mixed with 1.25 g of activated carbon (Shirasagi WH2c 42/60(coconut husk 1-5 Angstrom of pore size)). 25 mL of boiling water was poured onto the mixture and after 5 minutes of standing still, coffee beans and activated carbon were removed by filtration. The

hydroxyhydroquinone (HHQ) and chlorogenic acid contents were determined by HPLC as follows:

	Without activated carbon (reference)	With activated carbon
Content of HHQ	0.00399 wt%	0.00227 wt%
HHQ residual ratio	100 %	56.9 %
Content of chlorogenic acid	0.72271 wt%	0.51385 wt%
Chlorogenic acid residual ratio	100 %	71.1 %
Ratio of HHQ / chlorogenic acid	0.55 %	0.44 %



Without activated carbon

With activated carbon

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is believed to be true and correct. 28 USC 1746(1)

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<u>Mar. 3, 2010</u> Date